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Programme of meetings and agenda

Scheduled official meetings

Wednesday, 1 October 2003

General Assembly

Fifty-eighth session

10 a.m. . . . . 19th plenary meeting . . . . . General Assembly Hall

Continuation of the general debate . . . . . [9]

Uganda

Vanuatu

Oman

Kenya

Ethiopia

Lithuania

Papua New Guinea

(continued overleaf)

Security Council

The presidency of the Security Council for the month of October 2003 (United States of America) will provide a briefing to all Member States and observers on the programme of work for the month of October, on Friday, 3 October 2003, at 1 p.m. in Conference Room 7.

The monthly tentative forecast has been made available to Member States in accordance with the notes by the President of the Security Council dated 27 July 1993 (S/26176) and 30 April 1998 (S/1998/354). In accordance with the aforementioned decisions, copies of the tentative forecast have been placed in the delegations' boxes and may be collected at the delegations' pick-up areas as of *today*, 1 October 2003.

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Finland

Nauru

Antigua and Barbuda

Swaziland

3 p.m. . . . . 20th plenary meeting . . . . . General Assembly Hall

Continuation of the general debate . . . . . [9]

Saint Vincent and the Grenadines

Hungary

Bahamas

Belarus

United Republic of Tanzania

Solomon Islands

Kiribati

Luxembourg

Second Committee

10 a.m.–1 p.m. . . . . 1st meeting . . . . . Conference Room 3

1. Election of the officers of the Main Committees . . . . . [5]

Election of three Vice-Chairmen and the Rapporteur

2. Organization of work (A/58/250, A/C.2/58/1, A/C.2/58/L.1 and A/C.2/58/L.1/Add.1)

Sixth Committee

Working Group on International Convention against the Reproductive Cloning of Human Beings

10 a.m.–1 p.m. . . . . Informal consultations (closed) . . . . . Conference Room 2

3–6 p.m. . . . . Informal consultations (closed) . . . . . Conference Room 2

Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions

10.30 a.m.–1 p.m. . . . . Closed meeting . . . . . Conference Room 10

3–6 p.m. . . . . Closed meeting . . . . . Conference Room 10

United Nations Mission in the Democratic Republic of the Congo (MONUC)

General Assembly

Fifty-eighth session

High-level Dialogue on Financing for Development [106 (b) of the provisional agenda] (29–30 October 2003)

Inscriptions for Member States wishing to participate in the ministerial-level round tables

Delegations wishing to participate in any of eight ministerial-level round tables to be held in the context of the High-level Dialogue, on Wednesday, 29 October 2003, are kindly requested to come in person to the List of Speakers area of the General Assembly Affairs Branch (room S-2940) to inscribe.

Delegations are reminded that the list of participants in the round tables will be established on a first-come, first-served basis, and that each round table may have a maximum of 7 participants from African States, 7 participants from Asian States, 3 participants from Eastern European States, 5 participants from Latin American and Caribbean States and 4 participants from Western European and other States. Member States that are not members of any regional group may participate in the round tables (resolution 57/250 of 20 December 2002 and letter from the President of the General Assembly to Member States dated 7 May 2003, on organizational matters).

Other meetings

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Wednesday, 1 October 2003

Group of 77 ***(on the programme of work of the Second Committee)***

9.15–10 a.m. . . . . Closed meeting . . . . . Conference Room 6

Group of 77 ***(on Third Committee matters)***

10 a.m.–1 p.m. . . . . Closed meeting . . . . . Conference Room 6

Group of 77 ***(on agenda items 92 and 104 and other matters)***

3–6 p.m. . . . . Closed meeting . . . . . Conference Room 6

Group of 77 ***(on Fifth Committee matters)***

3–6 p.m. . . . . Closed meeting . . . . . Conference Room 5

OIC Group ***(on Sixth Committee matters) (at the expert level)***

9.30–10.30 a.m. . . . . Closed meeting . . . . . Conference Room 5

Caribbean Community (CARICOM) *(on Second Committee matters)*

1.15–2.45 p.m. . . . . Closed meeting . . . . . Conference Room 8

United Nations Development Programme

The first briefing of the consultation process with United Nations Development Programme Member States on the *Human Development Report 2004* will be held *today*, 1 October 2003, from 10 a.m. to 12 noon in Conference Room 8. Interested delegations are invited to attend.

Press conferences

The schedule below is tentative; up-to-date information can be obtained at www.un.org/News/ossg/conf.htm.

Wednesday, 1 October 2003

Room S-226

Guest at 12 noon . . . . Mr. William Lacy Swing, Special Representative of the Secretary-General for the Democratic Republic of the Congo

Forthcoming official meetings

Thursday, 2 October 2003

General Assembly

Fifty-eighth session

10 a.m. . . . . 21st plenary meeting . . . . . General Assembly Hall

1. Address by His Excellency Mr. Askar Akayev, President of the Kyrgyz Republic
2. Continuation of the general debate . . . . . [9]

Grenada

Guinea

Trinidad and Tobago

Benin

Eritrea

Côte d'Ivoire

Central African Republic

Slovakia

Seychelles

3 p.m. . . . . 22nd plenary meeting . . . . . General Assembly Hall

Continuation of the general debate . . . . . [9]

Niger

Suriname

Liberia

Georgia

Zambia

Congo

Fiji

Iraq

Somalia

Guinea-Bissau

Cameroon

First Committee

The First Committee will begin its substantive work by holding a general debate on all disarmament and related international security agenda items from Monday, 6 October, to Friday, 17 October 2003. The list of speakers for the general debate is open. Delegations wishing to participate in the general debate are requested to kindly contact the secretariat of the First Committee (Mr. Tam Chung (tel. 1 (212) 963-1901) or Mr. Gisle Hauge (tel. 1 (917) 367-4161); room S-2977).

Delegations are reminded that the names of representatives, alternate representatives and advisers should be submitted to Mr. Mohammad Sattar, Secretary of the First Committee (room S-2977H; tel. 1 (212) 963-5595; fax 1 (212) 963-5305).

Special Political and Decolonization Committee (Fourth Committee)

The Special Political and Decolonization Committee (Fourth Committee) will begin its substantive work on Monday, 6 October 2003, at 3 p.m. Delegations wishing to be inscribed on the list of speakers for the general debate relating to decolonization items, which will begin on Monday, 6 October 2003 (see document A/C.4/58/L.1*) are kindly requested to notify Ms. Catherina Dakay (room S-2977; tel. 1 (212) 963-9223).

Delegations are also reminded that the names of their representatives, alternates and advisers are to be submitted to Mr. Saijin Zhang, Secretary of the Committee (room S-2977K; fax 1 (212) 963-5305).

Second Committee

The Second Committee will begin its general debate on Monday, 6 October 2003, at 10 a.m. and 3 p.m. in Conference Room 2. The Under-Secretary-General, Mr. José Antonio Ocampo, Department of Economic and Social Affairs, will make a statement. The list of speakers for the general debate, and all other items allocated to the Second Committee, is open. Delegations wishing to be inscribed are requested to contact the secretariat of the Committee (Ms. Maria Thompson (tel. 1 (212) 963-2183; fax 1 (212) 963-5935)).

Delegations are reminded that the names of representatives, alternate representatives and advisers should be submitted to Mr. Nikhil Seth, Secretary of the Committee (room S-2950C; fax 1 (212) 963-5935).

Third Committee

The Third Committee will begin its consideration of items 105 (Implementation of the outcome of the World Summit for Social Development and the twenty-fourth special session of the General Assembly), 106 (Social development, including questions relating to the world social situation and to youth, ageing, disabled persons and the family) and 107 (Follow-up to the International Year of Older Persons: Second World Assembly on Ageing), on Monday, 6 October, at 10 a.m. and 3 p.m. The list of speakers for the general discussion on all items allocated to the Third Committee is open.

Delegations wishing to be inscribed are requested to contact the secretariat of the Committee (Mr. Alexandre De Barros or Mrs. Lydia Bawar (tel. 1 (212) 963-2320 and 963-5973; fax 1 (212) 963-5935). Delegations are also requested to submit the names of their representatives, alternates and advisers to Mr. Alexandre De Barros, Secretary of the Committee (room S-2950G; fax 1 (212) 963-5935).

Committee on Relations with the Host Country

The 218th meeting of the Committee on Relations with the Host Country will be convened on Thursday, 9 October 2003 at 3 p.m. in Conference Room 6. The meeting will be open to observers. Delegations are reminded that while any matter pertinent to the work of the Committee could be raised from the floor, they are encouraged, in accordance with the decision of the Committee adopted at its 164th meeting in March 1994, to request the formal inscription, at least 48 hours prior to the meeting, of specific items they would like to raise, keeping in mind the detailed list of topics adopted by the Committee in 1982 (see document A/50/26, paragraph 5). Delegations are further encouraged to submit to the Chairman of the Committee or to the Secretary of the Committee (room S-3420B; fax 1 (212) 963-6430) any relevant documentation or written statements in advance of the meeting.

Economic and Social Council

Open-ended Working Group on Informatics: Technical Subgroup

The next meeting of the Technical Subgroup of the Open-ended Working Group on Informatics will take place on Wednesday, 15 October 2003, at 11 a.m. in Conference Room 5, under the chairmanship of H.E. Miss June Yvonne Clarke (Barbados).

Other forthcoming meetings

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Group of 77

There will be a joint meeting of the Group of 77 of the Second and Fifth Committees on Thursday, 2 October 2003, from 3 to 6 p.m. in Conference Room 5.

Second regular meeting of Subscribing States to the International Code of Conduct against Ballistic Missile Proliferation (The Hague Code of Conduct)

The Subscribing States to the International Code of Conduct against Ballistic Missile Proliferation will hold their second regular meeting (closed) on Thursday and Friday, 2 and 3 October 2003, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. and from 3 to 6 p.m. in Conference Room 4. The meeting will be chaired by Chile (taking over the chair from the Netherlands). For further information, please contact the Permanent Mission of the Netherlands (tel. 1 (212) 697-5547).

Southern African Development Community (SADC) *(at the Third Committee experts level) (on agenda items 105 and 109)*

There will be a meeting of the Third Committee Experts of the Southern African Development Community (SADC) *(at the Third Committee experts level) (on agenda items 105 and 109)*, on Thursday, 2 October 2003, from 1.15 to 2.45 p.m. in Conference Room 9.

UNITAR briefing

The United Nations Institute for Training and Research (UNITAR) is organizing a briefing by Mr. Eduardo A. Doryan, Special Representative of the World Bank to the United Nations, and Mr. Reinhard Munzberg, Special Representative of the International Monetary Fund to the United Nations, on the results of the meetings of the International Monetary and Financial Committee and the Development Committee (Dubai, 21-22 September 2003). This briefing, to be conducted in English, will be held on Thursday, 2 October 2003, from 1.15 to 2.45 p.m. in Conference Room 3. For further information, please contact Ms. Nicole Valenta at UNITAR (room DC1-603; tel. 1 (212) 963-9684 or 963-9196).

Informal briefing on reports submitted to the fifty-eighth session of the General Assembly under agenda items 93 (a), 110 and 111

There will be an informal briefing on reports submitted to the fifty-eighth session of the General Assembly under agenda items 93 (a) (Women in development), 110 (Advancement of women) and 111 (Implementation of the outcome of the Fourth World Conference on Women and of the twenty-third special session of the General Assembly, entitled "Women 2000: gender equality, development and peace for the twenty-first century"). The briefing, organized by the Division for the Advancement of Women and by the Office of the Special Adviser on Gender Issues and Advancement of Women, Department of Economic and Social Affairs, will take place on Thursday, 2 October 2003, from 1.30 to 2.45 p.m. in Conference Room 2. Members of permanent missions, Secretariat staff, representatives of intergovernmental and non-governmental organizations and the media are invited to attend.

UNITAR workshop series on information technology

The United Nations Institute for Training and Research (UNITAR), the ICT Task Force and Intel Corporation organize the series entitled "Policy Awareness and Training in Information Technology", under the auspices of the Working Group on Informatics. The programme consists of a set of four progressive modules and one seminar presented as a cycle, geared towards all diplomats, which in 2003 is repeated five times. The first four modules of each cycle, focus on: (a) Introduction to computers and Windows 2000; (b) E-mail and Internet search basics; (c) Introduction to Microsoft Word 2000; and (d) Web-page design basics and usability techniques. The fifth module, which is conducted as an intensive seminar, covers policy and security issues in information technology and is aimed essentially at ambassadors and senior diplomats and open to members of the United Nations staff, as well as non-governmental organizations.

Cycle 5, the last of this year's series, to be conducted in English, will be held from 2 October to 21 November 2003. For further information, please contact UNITAR (room DC1-603; tel. 1 (212) 963-9196 or 963-3021).

Open-ended informal consultations on a draft resolution entitled "Enhancing Capacity-building of Global Public Health" (item 61) (organized by the Permanent Mission of China)

There will be open-ended informal consultations on a draft resolution entitled "Enhancing Capacity-building of Global Public Health" (item 61), organized by the Permanent Mission of China, on Friday, 3 October 2003, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. in Conference Room 6.

Open-ended consultations on a draft resolution entitled "Women and Political Participation" (organized by the Permanent Mission of the United States)

There will be open-ended informal consultations on a draft resolution entitled "Women and Political Participation", organized by the United States Mission, on Friday, 3 October, 2003, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. in Conference Room 5.

Briefing by H.E. Mr. Børge Brende (Norway), Chairman of the twelfth session of the Commission on Sustainable Development, on preparations for the twelfth session of the Commission

There will be a briefing by H.E. Mr. Børge Brende, Minister of Environment of Norway, Chairman of the Commission on Sustainable Development, on preparations for the twelfth session (review session). The briefing will be held on Friday, 3 October 2003, from 3.30 to 4.15 p.m. in Conference Room 3. Members of permanent missions, Secretariat staff, representatives of intergovernmental and non-governmental organizations and the media are invited to attend.

Open-ended informal consultations on a draft resolution on violence against women (Third Committee) (organized by the Permanent Mission of the Netherlands)

Open-ended informal consultations on a draft resolution on violence against women (Third Committee), organized by the Permanent Mission of the Netherlands, will be held on Tuesday, 7 October 2003, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. in Conference Room 6.

UNITAR English-language workshop on the structure, drafting and adoption of United Nations resolutions

The United Nations Institute for Training and Research (UNITAR) is organizing an English-language workshop on the structure, drafting and adoption of United Nations resolutions for members of permanent missions in New York. The workshop will be held on Monday, 6 October 2003, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. and from 3 to 6 p.m.; on Tuesday, 7 October, from 3 to 6 p.m.; and on Wednesday, 8 October, from 3 to 6 p.m.

A letter on this subject, including an information note and a nomination form, was addressed to all the permanent missions. The registration deadline is *today*, 1 October 2003. For further information, please contact Ms. Maud Graham (room DC1-603; tel. 1 (212) 963-9196).

Announcements

General Assembly

Statements in the general debate of the plenary

Delegations are reminded that, in accordance with the practice at recent sessions of the General Assembly, a *15-minute* time limit should be observed. To help speakers in the general debate respect the time limit, a mechanism will be installed at the rostrum of the General Assembly Hall.

The general debate will be webcast live and archived for on-demand viewing at www.un.org/webcast.

Delegations are invited to send in advance by e-mail the electronic version of the text of their statements in the general debate, in one of the official languages of the United Nations, to webcast@un.org for posting on the General Assembly Web site.

Facilities for bilateral consultations

Facilities are available for bilateral consultations during this period. For further information, interested delegations may refer to Note Verbale No. 03-204 or contact the Meetings Servicing Unit (tel. 1 (212) 963-2643).

Security Council

Recorded information

Recorded information about previously unscheduled meetings and consultations of the whole of the Security Council may be obtained by calling 1 (212) 963-8530.

Summary of meetings

Monday, 29 September 2003

General Assembly

Fifty-eighth session

16th plenary meeting *Continuation of the general debate* . . . . . [9]

Statements were made by H.E. The Most Honourable Percival James Patterson, M.P., Prime Minister and Minister for Defence of Jamaica; H.E. Mr. Mari Alkatiri, Prime Minister of the Democratic Republic of Timor-Leste; H.E. Mr. Morshed Khan, Minister for Foreign Affairs of Bangladesh; H.E. The Honourable Timothy Harris, Minister for Foreign Affairs of Saint Kitts and Nevis; H.E. Mrs. Maria de Fatima Lima Veiga, Minister for Foreign Affairs, Cooperation and Communities of Cape Verde; H.E. Mr. Harmodio Arias, Minister for Foreign Affairs of Panama; H.E. Mr. Mustafa Osman Ismail, Minister for Foreign Affairs of the Sudan; H.E. Mr. Marwan Muasher, Minister for Foreign Affairs of Jordan; H.E. Professor Jayakumar, Minister for Foreign Affairs of Singapore; H.E. Mr. Baboucarr-Blaise Ismaila Jagne, Secretary of State for Foreign Affairs of the Gambia; and H.E. Mr. Bhekh Bahadur Thapa, Chairman of the Delegation of Nepal.

The representative of Cuba made a statement in the exercise of the right of reply.

Tuesday, 30 September 2003

Security Council

4835th meeting *Justice and the Rule of Law: the United Nations Role*

The agenda was adopted without objection.

The President, with the consent of the Council, invited the representatives of Argentina, Australia, Austria, Azerbaijan, Bahrain, Brazil, Canada, the Democratic Republic of the Congo, Denmark, Finland, Italy, Japan, Jordan, Liechtenstein, New Zealand, the Philippines, the Republic of Korea, Romania, San Marino, Serbia and Montenegro, Sierra Leone, Sweden, Switzerland, Trinidad and Tobago and Uruguay, at their request, to participate in the discussion of the item without the right to vote, in accordance with the relevant provisions of the Charter and rule 37 of the Council's provisional rules of procedure.

In accordance with the understanding reached in the Council's prior consultations, the President, with the consent of the Council, extended an invitation under rule 39 of the Council's provisional rules of procedure to Mr. Jean-Marie Guéhenno, Under-Secretary-General for Peacekeeping Operations.

The Council continued its consideration of the item.

The Council heard a statement by Mr. Guéhenno.

The Council heard statements by the representatives of Italy (on behalf of the European Union, the acceding countries of Cyprus, the Czech Republic, Estonia, Hungary, Latvia, Lithuania, Malta, Poland, the Slovak Republic and Slovenia, the associated countries of Bulgaria, Romania and Turkey and the EFTA countries, members of the European Economic Area, Iceland and Norway, which aligned themselves with the statement),

Japan, New Zealand, Serbia and Montenegro, Austria, Liechtenstein, Romania, Switzerland, Finland, Canada, Jordan, San Marino, Sweden, the Philippines, Australia, Sierra Leone, Uruguay, the Democratic Republic of the Congo, Argentina, Trinidad and Tobago (Minister for Foreign Affairs, His Excellency The Honourable Knowlson Gift), the Republic of Korea, Brazil, Azerbaijan, Denmark and Bahrain.

The President, with the consent of the Council, extended an invitation under rule 39 of the Council's provisional rules of procedure to Mr. Hans Corell, Legal Counsel.

Mr. Corell responded to comments and questions raised in the course of the meeting.

The President made a concluding statement.

General Assembly

Fifty-eighth session

17th plenary meeting

Address by H.E. Mr. Emomali Rakhmonov, President of the Republic of Tajikistan

H. E. Mr. Emomali Rakhmonov, President of the Republic of Tajikistan, addressed the General Assembly.

Continuation of the general debate . . . . . [9]

H.E. Mr. Simeon Saxe-Coburg Gotha, Prime Minister of the Republic of Bulgaria, made a statement.

Address by H.E. Mr. Alvaro Uribe Vélez, President of the Republic of Colombia

H.E. Mr. Alvaro Uribe Vélez, President of the Republic of Colombia, addressed the General Assembly.

Continuation of the general debate . . . . . [9]

Statements were made by H.E. Mrs. Sandra Pierantozzi, Vice-President and Minister of Health of the Republic of Palau; H.E. Mr. Samsavat Lengsavad, Deputy Prime Minister and Minister for Foreign Affairs of the Lao People's Democratic Republic; H.E. Mr. Jan Petersen, Minister for Foreign Affairs of Norway; H.E. Mr. Didier Opertti Badán, Minister for Foreign Affairs of Uruguay; His Royal Highness Prince Mohamed Bolkiah, Minister for Foreign Affairs of Brunei Darussalam; H.E. The Honourable Godfrey Smith, Attorney-General and Minister for Foreign Affairs and Cooperation of Belize; H.E. Mr. Surakiart Sathirathai, Minister for Foreign Affairs of Thailand; and H.E. Mr. Choe Su Hon, Deputy Minister for Foreign Affairs of the Democratic People's Republic of Korea.

18th plenary meeting

Continuation of the general debate . . . . . [9]

Statements were made by H.E. Lyonpo Khandu Wangchuk, Minister for Foreign Affairs of Bhutan; H.E. Mr. Nagoum Yamassoum, Minister for Foreign Affairs and African Integration of Chad; H.E. Mr. Biossey Kokou Tozoun, Minister for Foreign Affairs and Cooperation of Togo; H.E. The Honourable Hidipo Hamutenya, M.P., Minister for Foreign Affairs of Namibia; H.E. Mr. Sodyq Safaev, Minister for Foreign Affairs of Uzbekistan; H.E. Mr. Hor Namhong, Minister for Foreign Affairs and International Cooperation of Cambodia; H.E. Mr. Francisco Guerrero Prats, Minister for Foreign Affairs of the Dominican Republic; H.E. Mr. Mateus Meira Rita, Minister for Foreign Affairs and Cooperation of Sao Tome and Principe; H.E. The Honourable Henry Chimunthu Banda, M.P., Deputy Minister for Foreign Affairs and International Cooperation of Malawi; and H.E. Mr. Alfred Capelle, Chairman of the Delegation of the Marshall Islands.

Fifth Committee

1st meeting

Tribute to the memory of the victims of the bombing of the United Nations offices in Baghdad

The Committee observed a minute of silence to pay tribute to the memory of those who lost their lives in the bombing of the United Nations offices in Baghdad on 19 August 2003, and for the speedy recovery of those injured.

The Chairman, H.E. Mr. Hynek Kmoníček (Czech Republic), made a statement.

Election of the officers of the Main Committees . . . . . [5]

The Committee elected, by acclamation, Mr. Abdelmalek Bouheddou (Algeria), Mr. Ronald Elkhuizen (Netherlands) and Mr. Asdrúbal Polido León (Venezuela) as Vice-Chairmen of the Committee.

The Committee also elected, by acclamation, Mr. Fouad Rajeh (Saudi Arabia) as Rapporteur of the Committee.

Organization of work

The Chairman of the Committee drew the attention of the Committee to a letter dated 19 September 2003 from the President of the General Assembly (A/C.5/58/1) on the allocation of items of the agenda by the General Assembly to the Fifth Committee. The Chairman further drew the attention of the Committee to a note by the Secretariat on the status of preparedness of documentation (A/C.5/58/L.1) and to the proposed programme of work submitted by the Bureau for the main part of the session.

On the proposal of the Chairman, the Committee took note of the recommendations of the General Assembly, as contained in document A/58/250, as well as of the observations of the Chairman that delegations ensure that their colleagues in the Main Committees complete consideration of all draft resolutions having programme budget implications as early as possible, in order to enable the Fifth Committee to consider them in a timely manner.

On the proposal of the Chairman, the Committee decided to set Friday, 17 October 2003, as the deadline for the submission of candidatures to the secretariat of the Fifth Committee in connection with agenda item 17 (Appointment to fill vacancies in subsidiary organs and other appointments).

Statements concerning the status of documentation and on the proposed programme of work were made by the representatives of Italy (on behalf of the European Union and also on behalf of Cyprus, the Czech Republic, Estonia, Hungary, Latvia, Lithuania, Malta, Poland, Slovakia, Slovenia, Bulgaria, Romania, Turkey, Iceland, Liechtenstein, and Norway), Morocco (on behalf of the Group of 77 and China), Costa Rica, Cuba, Senegal, the Russian Federation and Guinea.

The Secretary of the Committee replied to questions raised.

The Committee approved the programme of work for the week of 6 to 10 October, with the inclusion of the consideration of the letter dated 27 June 2003 from the President of the General Assembly addressed to the Chairman of the Fifth Committee (A/C.5/57/39). The Chairman informed the Committee that the Bureau would adjust the proposed programme of work for the remaining part of the session taking into account the observations made.

The Chairman of the Committee made a statement.

The Secretary of the Committee also made a statement.

Convention on the Rights of the Child

Committee on the Rights of the Child
Thirty-fourth session
United Nations Office at Geneva

Tuesday, 30 September 2003

912th–913th meetings *Consideration of reports of States parties* . . . . . [4]

The Committee began and concluded its consideration of the second periodic report of Bangladesh (CRC/C/65/Add.22). In accordance with the Committee's rules of procedure, representatives of the State party were present at the meetings and replied to questions raised and observations made by members of the Committee.

Signatures, Ratifications, etc.

[Multilateral Treaties Deposited with the Secretary-General]

International Convention against the taking of hostages. New York, 17 December 1979

***Accession*: Papua New Guinea (30 September 2003)[1]**

Convention on the Prevention and Punishment of Crimes against Internationally Protected Persons, including Diplomatic Agents. New York, 14 December 1973

***Accession*: Papua New Guinea (30 September 2003)[1]**

International Convention for the Suppression of Terrorist Bombings. New York, 15 December 1997

***Accession*: Papua New Guinea (30 September 2003)[1]**

International Convention for the Suppression of the Financing of Terrorism. New York, 9 December 1999

***Accession*: Papua New Guinea (30 September 2003)[1]**

United Nations Convention against Transnational Organized Crime. New York, 15 November 2000

***Ratification*: Denmark (30 September 2003)[1]**

***Territorial exclusion in respect of the Faeroe Islands and Greenland*: Denmark (30 September 2003)[1]**

Protocol to Prevent, Suppress and Punish Trafficking in Persons, Especially Women and Children, supplementing the United Nations Convention against Transnational Organized Crime. New York, 15 November 2000

***Ratification*: Denmark (30 September 2003)[1]**

***Territorial exclusion in respect of the Faeroe Islands and Greenland*: Denmark (30 September 2003)[1]**

[1] Date of receipt of the relevant documents.

Other announcements

DPI/NGO briefing

This week, the topic of the DPI/NGO briefing will be "Mainstreaming Ageing: Forging Links between Madrid Plan of Action and the Millennium Development Goals", in observance of the International Day of Older People. The briefing will be held on Thursday, 2 October 2003, from 10 to 11.20 a.m. in Conference Room 3. Mr. Shashi Tharoor, Under-Secretary-General for Communications and Public Information, will be the moderator. H.E. Mr. Julian Robert Hunte, President of the fifty-eighth session of the General Assembly, Ms. Alejandra Marta Ayuso, First Secretary of the Permanent Mission of Argentina to the United Nations, and Mr. Jan Vandermoortele, Bureau for Development Policy, United Nations Development Programme, will be the keynote speakers. A panel discussion on the topic of "Relating the Madrid Plan of Action to the Millennium Development Process" will be held from 11.25 a.m. to 12.25 p.m., as a second part of the programme. The participants will be Mr. Johan Schlovnik, Director, Division of Social Policy and Development, Department of Economic and Social Affairs (as moderator); and Ms. Sonia Elliot, Liaison Officer, UNAIDS, Prof. Naomi Woronov, Author, Director, Community Colleges in China Project; Mr. Alfredo Sfeir-Younis, Senior Advisor, Office of the Managing Director, World Bank; Mr. Gaoussou Traoré, Social Action Manager, Ministry of Social Development, Solidarity and Older Persons, Mali; and Mr. Alexandre Sidorenko, Chief, Programme on Ageing, DESA. Members of permanent missions, Secretariat staff and the media are invited to attend. For further information, please contact Ms. Tala Dowlatshahi, NGO Section, Department of Public Information (tel. 1 (212) 963-1859).

World Habitat Day

In observance of World Habitat Day, the United Nations Human Settlements Programme (UN-Habitat) will hold an event on the theme "Water and Sanitation for Cities" on Monday, 6 October 2003, from 9.15 a.m. to 12.30 p.m. in the Dag Hammarskjöld Library Auditorium. Members of permanent missions, Secretariat staff, intergovernmental and non-governmental organizations and the media are invited to attend.

Screening of the award-winning documentary "Child Soldiers"

A screening of the award-winning documentary "Child Soldiers", organized by the Office of the Special Representative of the Secretary-General for Children and Armed Conflict, in collaboration with HBO, will take place on Monday, 6 October 2003, at 6.30 p.m. in the Trusteeship Council Chamber. Members of permanent missions, Secretariat staff, representatives of intergovernmental and non-governmental organizations and the media are invited to attend.

Chairmen of regional groups

The following information regarding the chairmanship of the regional groups for the month of October 2003 has been communicated to the Secretariat:

African States:

Rwanda

H.E. Mr. Stanislas Kamanzi

Asian States:
China
H.E. Mr. Wang Guangya

Eastern European States:
Lithuania
H.E. Mr. Gediminas Šerkšnys

Latin American and Caribbean States:
Costa Rica
H.E. Mr. Bruno Stagno Ugarte

Western European and other States:
Spain
H.E. Mr. Inocencio F. Arias

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www.un.org/Docs/sc/presidency
www.ukun.org
www.un.org/french/docs/sc/presidency/

Security Council Committee established pursuant to resolution 1373 (2001) concerning counter-terrorism:

www.un.org/arabic/documents/SCCommittees/1373
www.un.org/chinese/aboutun/prinorgs/sc/committees/1373/1373.htm
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